

REMARKS

The listing of claims shown above includes amendments to the allowed version of Applicants' claimed invention. More particularly, the listing of claims shows further amendments to claims which already incorporate previous Examiner's Amendments – listed in the Notice of Allowance mailed November 28, 2008 – that bring the case into allowance.

Applicants respectfully submit that the claim amendments submitted herein do not introduce new matter and do not affect the patentability of the allowed claims. Examiner HAN and Applicants' representative Dermot G. Miller (Reg. No. 58,309) conducted a telephone interview on March 2, 2009 to discuss these amendments. Upon review, Examiner HAN agreed during the interview that the claim amendments submitted herein (1) merely make corrections to typographical errors in the claim language, (2) do not change the scope of the claims, and (3) are appropriate for the filing of an amendment after allowance under 37 C.F.R. §1.312.

Accordingly, Applicants respectfully request that the above claim amendments be entered under 37 C.F.R. §1.312. Furthermore, Applicants respectfully request that a patent issue from the above-identified application, as amended herein.

CONCLUSION

Should it be determined that an additional fee is due under 37 CFR §§1.16 or 1.17, or any excess fee has been received, please charge that fee or credit the amount of overcharge to deposit account #02-2666. If the Examiner has any questions, he is invited to contact the undersigned at (503) 439-8778.

Respectfully submitted,
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